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Beaverton Police Investigate Fatal Pedestrian Accident

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On November 30, 2011, at 6:18 a.m., the Beaverton Police Department received several calls regarding a crash where a vehicle had struck a pedestrian on SW Canyon Road near SW Watson Avenue. Due to the possible fatality, the Washington County Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team (CART) was called out to take over the investigation.

When police arrived, they established the driver of the Eagle sedan had been traveling westbound on Canyon Road, from the SW Lombard area. When the pedestrian was struck he was at or near SW Watson Avenue.

The victim, 23 year old Nicklas J. Baker of Beaverton, was pronounced deceased at the scene of the accident.

The vehicle was driven by 23 year old Samantha R. Gormiley of Aloha, who stopped at the scene and cooperated with investigators. There is no suspected impairment of the driver and she was the only occupant of the car. Preliminary investigation suggests that speed was likely a contributing factor.

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) also assisted officers by providing a full crew to divert traffic off SW Canyon Road, enabling officers and investigators to fully concentrate on the scene.

CART investigators continue to evaluate the information and evidence retrieved. Due to the ongoing investigation, no further details will be released at this time.

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